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After March 1st there will be [25] in the COUNTRY [STRONG] [11] only two divisions for deployment should the war in Europe keep on until this date. Until

[1 group unrecovered]

Pacific operations. This should indicate the presence in the northern part of the Pacific Ocean of forces up to 6 divisions and [25] until July

[10 groups unrecovered]

upwards of 16 heavy bombers ( [5 groups unrecoverable] - ICHUGRO [JESBURG]).

The [25 1945] unit of B-29 bombers was transferred from China back to India and [3 groups unrecovered] on the MALIBUS

[11 groups unrecoverable]

Comments: [1] Other parts not available. This message is referred to in Moscow-New York msg. #289 of 28 March 1945, which message refers to the Source of this information as "PILOT," William Ludwig ULLMAN.

[11] U.S.A.